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C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 4138

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EAID, XH, ET
SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN ECONOMIC DELEGATION TO EASTERN EUROPE

1. SIX-MEMBER ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT DELEGATION LEFT
ADDIS ABABA JULY 2 ON WORKING VISIT TO USSR, HUNGARY,
BULGARIA, ROMANIA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND YUGOSLAVIA.
ACCORDING TO ETHIOPIAN PRESS, DELEGATION, HEADED BY
SENIOR TECHNICIAN GESSESSE GEBRE-KIDANE, PROVISIONAL
MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER IN CHARGE OF
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, AND INCLUDING MINISTER OF COMMERCE
AND TOURISM ASHAGRE YIGLETU AND OTHER OFFICIALS OF
COMMERCE AND HEALTH MINISTRIES, WERE TO HOLD WIDE-
RANGING TALKS WITH HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS ON POSSIBLE
AID AND SUPPORT FOR ETHIOPIA, "WITH VIEW TO ENABLING
IT TO DEFEND REVOLUTION AND PRESERVE ITS UNITY AND
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TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY."

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH LATTER QUOTE COULD BE
INTERPRETED TO MEAN DELEGATION LOOKING FOR FURTHER
MILITARY ASSISTANCE FROM WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES AND
YUGOSLAVIA, LACK OF MILITARY EXPERTISE AMONG GROUP
INCLINES EMBASSY TO JUDGE THAT SEARCH FOR ECONOMIC

ASSISTANCE AND MORAL SUPPORT ARE PRIMARY GOALS OF
TRIP. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION THAT
DEVELOPS LOCALLY ON RESULTS OF TRIP.
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